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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Matthias REBELLIOUS, Matthias REINERT, and Thomas STEINHORST
DEVICE FOR CONNECTING AN INDUSTRIAL CONTROL UNIT TO AN
INDUSTRIAL CONTROL PANEL

Assignee: SIEMENS AG

Our Ref. Q67989

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising eleven (11) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and , two (2) sheets of drawings. **The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.** Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, together with a Form PTO-1449 and four (4) references.

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE00/02243 filed July 10, 2000, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	15 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	3 - 3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$740.00

TOTAL FEE

\$740.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

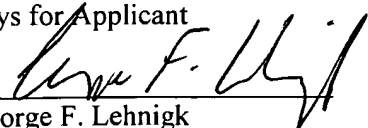
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
German	19935512.6	July 28, 1999

A certified copy of the priority document will be submitted at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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